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'None Of Us Were Worrying About This': Trump's Latest School Money Move Has State Authorities Scrambling

A White House budget office spokesperson said some the funds were “grossly misused to subsidize a radical leftwing agenda.”

The Trump administration's decision to withhold federal funds earmarked for key school programs tallies about \$7 billion, a top appropriator estimated Tuesday as state officials rushed to assess the financial fallout.

Word that the Education Department had halted plans to distribute grants for after-school programs, teacher training initiatives, migrant student education and other initiatives on time has sent local authorities rushing to figure out how their classrooms will be hit.

Superintendents, teachers and budget wonks will now spend the summer measuring how much of a financial hole they might have to fill as they wait for updates from Washington. Some are considering lawsuits as teachers unions struck a combative stance and officials in some Republican-led states suggested the federal government should reverse course.

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